

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :

James L. Holloway

Serial No.

09/772,813

Group Art Unit

: 1631 : John S. Brusca

Examiner Filed

: January 30, 2001

For

: A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DETECTING NEAR IDENTITIES IN LARGE DNA DATABASES

Date Submitted

: November 14, 2003

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated July 11, 2003 be extended for a period of three months from September 11, 2003 to December 11, 2003.

Applicant claims small entity status. Please charge the total fee, estimated to be \$475, to ZymoGenetics, Inc., Deposit Account No. 26-0290. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted.

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